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What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for treating cancer in a subject, comprising:
 - (a) eliminating suppressor cells in the subject;
 - (b) preactivating lymphocytes from the subject ex vivo; and
 - (c) injecting the preactivated lymphocytes into the subject, thereby treating the cancer.
- The method of claim 1, wherein the suppressor cells are eliminated in a specific way.
- The method of claim 1, wherein the suppressor cells are eliminated in a nonspecific way.
- 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the suppressor cells are eliminated by contacting the suppressor cells with antibodies selected from the group consisting of (a) antibodies specific for CD-8 positive suppressor cells, (b) antibodies specific for inducer-suppressor cells, (c) antibodies specific for transducer-suppressor cells, (d) antibodies specific for a subpopulation of radiosensitive suppressor cells, (e) antibodies specific for immunocompetent (pan)-T cells, (f) antibodies specific for (pan)-leukocytes, and (g) polyclonal/polyvalent antibodies or globulins directed against T-cells and thymocytes or lymphocytes.

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- The method of claim 1, wherein the suppressor cells are eliminated by contacting
 the suppressor cells with antibodies selected from the group consisting of T cellspecific monoclonal antibodies and T cell-specific polyclonal antibodies.
- The method of claim 3, wherein the antibodies are selected from the group consisting of anti-CD8, anti-CD1, anti-CD3, anti-CD5, anti-CD2 and anti-pan T-antibodies.
- The method of claim 1, wherein the suppressor cells are eliminated by contacting
 the suppressor cells with cyclophosphamide and monoclonal or polyclonal
 antibodies recognizing the suppressor cells.
- The method of claim 1, wherein the suppressor cells are eliminated by contacting the suppressor cells with cyclophosphamide and CD-3 or CD-8 positive T-cells.
- The method of claim 1, wherein the lymphocytes of the subject are preactivated by contacting the lymphocytes ex vivo with tumor cells of the subject.